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SUBJECT: W/W: DISAPPEARANCE OF USC

1. GERALDINE CROUCH, AUSTRALIAN CITIZEN, HOME ADDRESS 45 AVELAND AVENUE, TRINITY GARDENS, SA 5068, AUSTRALIA, WAS TRAVELING COMPANION OF USC JANE BISSELL WHO DISAPPEARED IN ECUADOR IN EARLY OCTOBER, 1976. MISS CROUCH REPORTED MISS BISSELL'S DISAPPEARANCE TO THE U.S. EMBASSY IN QUITO, ASSISTED IN THE SEARCH FOR MISS BISSELL FOR A SHORT TIME AND THEN DEPARTED FROM ECUADOR TO CONTINUE HER TREKKING IN SOUTH AMERICA. ALTHOUGH SHE LEFT A ROUGH ITINERARY WITH THE US CONSUL AT ECUADOR, THE CONSUL HAS BEEN UNABLE TO TRACE HER SINCE MID OCTOBER. THERE ARE MANY QUESTIONS WHICH THE DEPARTMENT (WITH CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST) WOULD LIKE TO ASK MISS CROUCH.

2. WITHOUT ALARMING HER PARENTS THE POST IS REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE FROM THEM WHEN THEY LAST HEARD FROM GERALDINE AND IF THEY WOULD TELL US WHERE THEY BELIEVE SHE
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CAN BE REACHED AT THE PRESENT TIME. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THEY MUST BE AWARE OF THE MISSING AMERICAN BUT IF NOT PLEASE ASSURE THEM THAT WE ARE ONLY LOOKING FOR GERALDINE TO ATTEMPT TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE PERSONS SHE AND JANE KNEW IN ECUADOR AND THEIR TRAVELS IMMEDIATELY BEFORE

JANE'S DISAPPEARANCE.

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